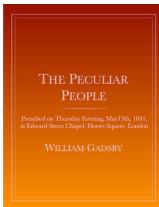


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June 25th, 2017

“In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I WILL PARDON THEM WHOM I RESERVE.”

(JEREMIAH 50:20)



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Schedule of Services

Sunday School 10:00 am

Sunday Worship 11:00 am

Wednesday Worship 7:00 pm

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Walter Groover-25th, Jacob Luman-28th

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HEBREWS 11:33—EXPLOITS OF FAITH

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LET US NOT BE DISCOURAGED

“...THE WORD OF THE LORD ENDURETH FOR EVER. AND THIS IS THE WORD WHICH BY THE GOSPEL IS PREACHED UNTO YOU.” (1 PETER 1:25)

We preach the gospel of God's sovereign, free grace in Christ Jesus the Lord; that salvation is in *Christ* alone, by *grace* alone, through *faith* alone, according to the *word* alone. For the most part, the message is rejected, but do not be discouraged, it has ever been so! Elijah thought he was the only one left who believed God; Isaiah wrote, “*Who hath believed our report and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?*” (ISAIAH 53:1) When the Lord Himself preached in His hometown of Nazareth, the people marveled at His gracious words when He spoke of the blessings, but when He spoke of sovereign mercy, they tried to kill Him! The Apostle Paul was accused of being a pestilent fellow, a mover of sedition, the ringleader of a sect and was imprisoned for preaching the gospel. But remember, it is written: “*The word of God is not bound*”, ‘*My word shall not fail*’ and ‘*This is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.*”

PASTOR **CHARLES PENNINGTON**

SALVATION IS ALL OF GRACE / NONE OF WORKS

“FOR BY GRACE ARE YE SAVED THROUGH FAITH;
AND THAT NOT OF YOURSELVES:
IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD”
(EPHESIANS 2:8)

The longer I live, the more I feel that if there were one thing left undone, if the devil were not conquered, sin not expiated [taken away and paid for], justice not satisfied, the law not honored and magnified, death not overcome, and every burden not carried, I should not have a ray of hope. I used to think I saw this as clear as the noon-day thirty or forty years ago; but I saw it very differently then to what I see now; for I see and feel now that if one hair-breath is left for me to do to merit heaven, or bring as a plea before God, I am undone for ever and ever. But on the Mount of Calvary, the Lord Jesus Christ undertook the cause of His people; and there is not a jot nor a tittle that He left undone, but, “*by one offering he perfected for ever them that are sanctified,*” (HEBREWS 10:14) and “there is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.” (ROMANS 8:1) Here is complete perfection—“SAVED IN THE LORD WITH AN EVERLASTING SALVATION.” (ISAIAH 45:17)

PASTOR JOHN WARBURTON (1776–1857)

I WILL BE SORRY FOR MY SIN

“FOR I WILL DECLARE MINE INIQUITY; I WILL BE SORRY FOR MY SIN.”
(PSALM 38:18)

Let not these words stagger the faith of the believer in considering them as spoken by Christ. As the sinner’s Surety, He was truly made sin for His people, so the Scripture declares, yea, also a curse for them. Hence, in the eye of the law, Christ and His seed are one (GALATIANS 3:13; 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21).

Here Christ stands with all the curse of a broken law charged upon Him, as the sinner’s Surety; yea, as the curse itself. And consequently, as in the doing of this, He takes it from His people; they are redeemed from it. (Read ROMANS 8:31-34)

The original debtor, and the Surety who pays for that debtor, cannot both have the debt at the same time charged upon them. This, therefore, is the blessed doctrine of imputation.

PASTOR ROBERT HAWKER

URGENCY

"WHO KNOWETH THE POWER OF THINE ANGER? EVEN ACCORDING TO THY FEAR, SO IS THY WRATH. SO TEACH US TO NUMBER OUR DAYS, THAT WE MAY APPLY OUR HEARTS UNTO WISDOM."

(PSALM 90:11-12)

Since our days in this world are numbered by our God let us be diligent in the days he has given us, serving him with meekness and fear. The day of our departure is certain to God, though unknown to us. None of us know how much time we have left in this world. Yet, this is certain: No one has time to spare! The very thought of this ought to make rebels tremble. Oh, be wise! "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found! Call ye upon him while he is near!" (ISAIAH 55:6)—"Prepare to meet thy God!" (AMOS 4:12)

Every believer should seek wisdom and grace to live every day as though he was certain it would be his last. Whatever it is that we have to do for the glory of Christ, the furtherance of the gospel, the increase of God's kingdom, and the good of men's souls, let us do it today! We ought to live every day with a sense of urgency. Life is urgent, for "*time is short!*" (1 CORINTHIANS 7:29) We would be wise to pray with Moses, "*Teach us,*" O Lord, "*to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.*"

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PASTOR **DON FORTNER**

A GOSPEL TO BELIEVE

"...I WILL PROCLAIM THE NAME OF THE LORD BEFORE THEE; AND WILL BE GRACIOUS TO WHOM I WILL BE GRACIOUS, AND WILL SHEW MERCY ON WHOM I WILL SHEW MERCY." (EXODUS 33:19)

The Gospel of God's grace in Christ Jesus is not a thing to be proved, but truth to be believed. It is not submitted to our reasoning powers as a subject for critical examination. The gospel is a MESSAGE FROM GOD, addressed to the conscience, feelings, and affections. For this reason, men fond of argument and proving everything by strictly logical deduction generally make very poor preachers. In the Scriptures, God does not argue, He proclaims!

PASTOR **J.C. PHILPOT** (1802—1869)